



## SWIMMING POOL CONTRACTOR GUIDELINES Effective May 19, 2004

Per NAC 624.150, commercial and residential pools (sub-classification A-10): "The construction, alteration and repair of residential pools and spas, used for swimming, therapy or decoration, including appurtenant equipment." We have interpreted this to mean:

Items that **can be** constructed by an A-10 license and **are included** with the pool permit:

- Up to 15 feet of block wall removed and replaced – code compliant.
- For BBQ's smaller than 5 feet in all dimensions, a permit is not required. However, all electric, gas, and potable water lines require plans and permits, regardless of the size of the BBQ.
- Block or retaining walls which are intrinsic to the design of the pool, bond beams, etc., required to be done to engineer's design.

Items that **can be** to be constructed by an A-10 license but **require a separate permit**:

- Block walls around equipment
- Footings that are part of the deck for future patio covers, gazebos, etc.
- BBQ's that exceed five feet in any dimension and are not located under any structure. All electrical, gas lines and potable water lines require appropriate license.

Items that **cannot** to be constructed by an A-10 license but **are included** with the permit. Subcontractor registration is required by an appropriately licensed contractor after the permit is issued.

- Gas lines require a C-1 or C-1(h) license, and plumbing plans must be signed by that contractor.
- Potable water requires a C-1 or C-1(d) license, and plumbing plans must be signed by that contractor.
- All electrical work requires a C-2 license, and electrical plans must be signed by that contractor.

Items that **are not allowed** to be constructed by an A-10 license:

- Patio covers, gazebos, room additions, built-in-place pool covers, pool house, etc.
- Block walls or retaining walls that have no bearing on the construction of the pool.

The city of Las Vegas, Department of Building and Safety will comply with all State statutes. If you have any questions call the Permits Supervisor at 229-2406. Questions concerning the interpretation of what can and cannot be done on an A-10 license should be directed to the State Contractor's Board at 486-1100.

Miscellaneous items for compliance:

- Pool heaters: Pool heaters must be placed in a side yard that is greater than 5' to the property line. Vent termination is required to be a minimum of 4' from the property line. [(2003 Southern Nevada Pool Code, Section 400(B))].
- Pool decks: The intention of decks, seats and handholds is to afford safety to the pool user. It is not the intention of the Pool Code to limit the use of any of these features. Until further notice and/or the adoption of the new pool code, the following will be the policy for the fifty percent (50%) deck rule. Fifty percent (50%) of the available deck area will have 30" of decking. The available deck area will be defined as the water line perimeter less any rock features, rolled bond beams, vanishing edges, or spa dam walls. After the exclusion of the above mentioned items, the remainder of the area will be subject to the fifty percent (50%) rule.